CEMETERY

Although not a major function of local government, many towns in North Carolina provide places for the burial of human dead. In Selma's case, this function has been assumed by town because it was not performed by private enterprises. It has become incumbent upon the town to maintain and care for the grounds. There are two cemeteries located in Selma, one consisting of 1½ acres, and one consisting of 20 acres. Approximately 18% of these areas are filled and the remainder is expected to meet Selma's needs for more than the next two decades.

Selma sells individual graves. With the receipts from these sales, the town is able to maintain the grounds, keep records, and assume overall responsibility for their administration.

It is recommended that the town continue to provide this service while employing certain of the funds from this operation in the beautification of the grounds. Many areas of the cemetery need landscaping to make it attractive with a park-like setting.